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and the

PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR

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ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR 1962

To the Chairman and Members of Saltburn and Marske-by-the-Sea Urban District Council.

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present the Annual Report of the Medical Officer of Health for 1962.

I should like to express my thanks to the Chairman and Members of the Health Committee for their help and co-operation and to the Council's Officials for their assistance throughout the year.

Special thanks are due to Mr. N. R. Darling, the Public Health Inspector, for his untiring work in the Public Health Department.

I am,
Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,
Your obedient servant,
P. S. R. BURRELL.

STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE AREA

Area (in Acres)	4,082
Population (Registrar General's Estimate for mid-1962) ...	13,200
Number of inhabited Houses	3,899
Rateable Value	£147,511
Product of a Penny Rate	£579

TABLE I

VITAL STATISTICS

	Male	Female	Total		
LIVE BIRTHS ...	110	148	258	Rate per 1,000 population ...	19.5
Legitimate ...	105	140	245		
Illegitimate ...	5	8	13	Corrected Birth Rate ...	17.4
STILL BIRTHS					
Legitimate ...	3	2	5	Rate per 1,000 (live and still births)	24.9
Illegitimate ...	1	—	1		

Deaths of infants under 1 year of age	6	Rate for 1,000 live births ...	23.3
Deaths of legitimate infants under 1 year of age	6	Rate per 1,000 legitimate live births	24.5
Deaths of illegitimate infants under 1 year of age ...	Nil	Rate per 1,000 illegitimate live births	Nil
Maternal Deaths	1	Maternal mortality rate ...	4.0

Illegitimate Live Births per cent of total live births — 5.0%
Early neonatal mortality rate — 15.5
Perinatal mortality rate — 38.7

TABLE II

DEATH RATES, ANALYSIS OF MORTALITY AND CASE RATES FOR CERTAIN INFECTIOUS DISEASES IN THE YEAR 1962

Rate for 1,000 Population

DEATHS

All Causes	Whooping Cough	Diphtheria	Tuberculosis	Influenza	Acute Poliomyelitis (including Polioencephalitis)	Pneumonia
11 5	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0 38

NOTIFICATIONS

Typhoid Fever	Paratyphoid Fever	Meningococcal Infection	Scarlet Fever	Whooping Cough	Diphtheria	Tuberculosis
0.00	0.00	0.00	0.23	0.1	0.00	0.30

Erysipelas	Measles	Pneumonia	Acute Poliomyelitis (including Polioencephalitis) Paralytic	Food Poisoning
0.00	13 2	0.00	0.00	0 00

TABLE III

DEATHS FROM ALL CAUSES

	Male	Female
Tuberculosis, respiratory	—	—
Tuberculosis, other	—	—
Syphilitic disease	1	—
Diphtheria	—	—
Whooping Cough	—	—
Meningococcal infections	—	—
Acute Poliomyelitis	—	—
Measles	—	—
Other infective and parasitic diseases ...	1	—
Malignant neoplasm, stomach	—	1
Malignant neoplasm, lung, bronchus ...	3	4
Malignant neoplasm, breast	—	3
Malignant neoplasm, uterus	—	4
Other malignant and lymphatic neoplasms ...	7	4
Leukaemia, Aleukaemia	—	—
Diabetes	—	—
Vascular lesions of nervous system ...	8	9
Coronary disease, angina	8	9
Hypertension with heart disease	—	—
Other heart disease	7	11
Other circulatory disease	—	4
Influenza	—	—
Pneumonia	2	3
Bronchitis	6	—
Other diseases of respiratory system ...	—	—
Ulcer of stomach and duodenum	1	—
Gastritis, enteritis and diarrhoea	—	2
Nephritis and nephrosis	—	—
Hyperplasia of prostrate	1	—
Pregnancy, childbirth, abortion	—	1
Congenital malformations	2	—
Other defined and ill-defined diseases ...	5	8
Motor vehicle accidents	1	1
All other accidents	3	3
Suicide	—	—
Homicide and operations of war	—	—
	56	67

SALTBURN AND MARSKE
NOTIFICATIONS OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES

	1962 Population 13,200	1961 Population 12,450	1960 Population 10,830	1959 Population 10,220
Scarlet Fever	3	3	1	0
Diphtheria	0	0	0	0
Enteric Fever	0	0	0	0
Paratyphoid	0	0	0	0
Measles	174	166	158	196
Whooping Cough	2	2	19	0
Puerperal Pyrexia	4	2	2	0
Erysipelas	0	0	0	0
Pneumonia	0	0	0	3
Meningococcal Infection ...	0	0	1	1
Anterior Poliomyelitis ...	0	0	0	1
Acute Encephalitis	0	2	1	0
Pulmonary Tuberculosis ..	3	4	2	10
Other forms of Tuberculosis ...	1	0	0	1
Ophthalmia Neonatorum ...	0	0	0	0
Food Poisoning	0	0	0	2
Malaria	0	0	0	0
Dysentery	0	0	0	2

COMMENTARY

There has been a further rise in the total population of the area to 13,200, although the increase was less marked than in previous years. In 1962 the increase was 750, compared with 1,620 for the previous year. This change is due to the change in the economic circumstances for the Teeside area as a whole, and it is likely that figures for 1963 will show a similar trend.

The rise in the number of illegitimate births noted in 1961 has not recurred and the rate of five per cent. for 1962 is comparable with the national average.

There was one maternal death during the year. This was the first such death recorded for several years.

The incidence of infectious diseases has remained low except in the case of measles, which stayed at a fairly high figure for the fourth successive year. Apart from a few spasmodic cases the bulk of the notifications were received in the latter months of the year, commencing in late September and continuing into 1963.

It is disappointing to note a sharp fall in the number of immunisations against diphtheria and whooping cough, especially in the number of re-enforcing doses given. The attention of parents is drawn to the importance of their children having a re-enforcing dose on entry to school, but in spite of this, many children never receive it.

In the early months of the year there was a heavy demand for smallpox vaccination due to the presence of the disease in Bradford.

In 1962 the replacement of the Salk type vaccine by the Sabin (Oral) vaccine began and by the end of the year practically all poliomyelitis vaccination was being carried out by this method. Vaccination against poliomyelitis has now become an accepted part of the routine of immunisation in infancy but the acceptance rate remains very low in the older age groups.

NOTIFICATIONS OF TUBERCULOSIS, 1962

Male Age Groups							Female Age Groups							
0-4	5-14	15-24	25-44	45-64	Over 65	Total	0-4	5-14	15-24	25-44	45-64	Over 65	Total	Total
—	—	1	1	1	—	3	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	4

3 Respiratory.

DIPHTHERIA IMMUNISATION

		1962	1961	1960	1959
Primary Courses	...	161	255	182	159
Reinforcing Doses	...	57	172	66	110

WHOOPING COUGH IMMUNISATION

1962	1961	1960	1959
157	229	132	161

HOUSING

Permanent Houses completed by Local Authority in 1962	Nil
Aged Persons' Houses completed by Local Authority in 1962 ...	20
Permanent Houses completed by Private Builders in 1962	85
Permanent Houses under construction by Local Authority at the end of year	Nil
Aged Persons' Houses under construction by Local Authority at end of year	Nil
Permanent Houses under construction by Private Builders at end of year	102

WATER SUPPLY

The water supply has remained satisfactory in quality and quantity. The whole of the area is supplied by a main supply system operated by the Tees Valley and Cleveland Water Board.

SEWERAGE

Works to improve the sewerage system to the West of Marske have continued throughout the year and when completed will ensure a satisfactory drainage system for the whole area. At the end of the year a scheme was in hand to repair the damage to the main sea outfall at Marske but these works are dependent upon favourable weather conditions.

CLINIC FACILITIES IN THE AREA

ANTE-NATAL CLINICS:

The Clinic, Bath Street, Saltburn. Every Monday and Friday at 1-30 p.m.
(This Clinic is staffed by the Regional Hospital Board).

CHILD WELFARE SESSIONS:

Marske Clinic. Mondays at 2-00 p.m.

The Clinic, Bath Street, Saltburn. Wednesdays at 2-00 p.m.

MINOR AILMENTS CLINIC:

The Clinic, Bath Street, Saltburn. Every Wednesday at 9-30 a.m.

IMMUNISATION SESSIONS:

The Clinic, Bath Street, Saltburn. Every Wednesday at 9-30 a.m. and 2-00 p.m.

Marske Clinic. Mondays at 2-00 p.m.

OPHTHALMIC CLINICS:

The Clinic, 5 Turner Street, Redcar. By Appointment.

ORTHOPAEDIC CLINICS:

The Clinic, 5 Turner Street, Redcar. Second Tuesday in each month at 10-30 a.m. By Appointment.

DENTAL CLINICS:

The Clinic, Bath Street, Saltburn. By Appointment.

FAMILY PLANNING ASSOCIATION CLINIC:

The Clinic, Bath Street, Saltburn. Every Friday at 7-00 p.m.

FACTORIES ACTS, 1937 TO 1959

PART I OF THE ACTS

1. Inspections for purposes of provisions as to health (including inspections made by Public Health Inspectors).

Premises (1)	Number on Register (2)	Number of Inspections (3)	Number of Written Notices (4)
(i) Factories in which Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authority	45	101	5
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by Local Authority	—	—	—
(iii) Other Premises in which Section 7 is enforced by Local Authority (excluding outworkers' premises)	6	6	—
TOTAL	51	107	5

2. Cases in which defects were found.

Particulars (1)	Number of Cases in which Defects were found: Found (2)	Remedied (3)
Want of Cleanliness (S.1)	—	—
Sanitary Conveniences (S.7)		
(a) Insufficient	1	1
(b) Unsuitable or Defective	4	4
(c) Not separate for sexes	—	—
TOTAL	5	5

ANNUAL REPORT

of the

PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR

for the Year 1962

N. R. DARLING, A.R.S.H., M.A.P.H.I.
CERTIFIED MEAT INSPECTOR

To the Chairman and Members of the Saltburn and Marske-by-the-Sea Urban District Council.

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

It is with pleasure that I submit my sixteenth annual report on the sanitary conditions of the district for the year ending 31st December, 1962.

The staff of the department consists of one full-time Shorthand Typist/Clerk and a full-time Rodent Operator.

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF THE PREPARATION AND SALE OF FOOD

Regular inspections have been made of cafes, hotel kitchens, ice cream premises, food shops and stalls for the purpose of enforcing the requirements of the Food and Drugs Acts, Food Hygiene Regulations and Byelaws.

During the year 31 notices were served in respect of breaches of the Food Hygiene Regulations.

The following articles of food, other than fresh meat, were surrendered to me during the year and classified as unfit for human consumption:—

	lbs.	ozs.
Tinned Goods	249	2
Cooked Ham	1	4
Pork Sausage	19	8
Beef Sausage	5	4
Frankfurters		8
Tongue	2	8
	278	2

SLAUGHTERHOUSES

At the commencement of the year there were two licensed slaughterhouses in the district and regular inspections were made for the purpose of inspecting meat following slaughter. During the year, 492 visits were made, the carcases and organs of 2,080 animals were inspected and the total weight of meat classified as unfit for human consumption was 328 lbs.

The mutual aid scheme with Skelton and Brotton and Loftus Urban District Councils worked satisfactorily during the year. The Public Health Inspector for Skelton and Brotton made 10 visits to this area, for the purpose of meat inspection only.

Meat was condemned for the following reasons:

	lbs.
Cirrhosis	296
Tuberculosis	18
Nephritis	14
Total ...	328

Carcases and Offal Inspected and Condemned in Whole or in Part:

	Cattle Excluding Cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs	Horses
Number Killed	288	—	18	1,466	308	—
Number Inspected	288	—	18	1,466	308	—
All Diseases except Tuberculosis and Cysticerci: Whole Carcases Condemned ...	Nil	—	Nil	Nil	Nil	—
Carcases of which some part or organ was Condemned ...	25	—	Nil	Nil	Nil	—
Percentage of Number Inspected affected with disease other than Tuberculosis and Cysticerci	8.68	—	—	—	—	—
Tuberculosis only: Whole Carcases Condemned ...	Nil	—	Nil	Nil	Nil	—
Carcases of which some part or organ was Condemned ...	Nil	—	Nil	Nil	2	—
Percentage of Number Inspected affected with Tuberculosis	Nil	—	Nil	Nil	.64	—
Cysticercosis	Nil	—	Nil	Nil	Nil	—

MILK SUPPLIES

No complaints were received during the year with regard to milk supplies in the area.

There are four premises in the area which are registered as dairies.

FOOD AND DRUGS ACT, 1955

Certificates of Registration have been granted under Section 16 of the above Act for the sale of ice-cream and the manufacture of sausage, etc.

Sale of Ice-Cream	62
Manufacture of Pickled, Pressed or Preserved Food and Sausage, including Fried Fish Shops	16

SLAUGHTER OF ANIMALS ACT, 1958

There are six Licences to slaughter animals in force.

During the year five licences were renewed and one new licence was granted.

SHELLFISH REGULATIONS

An Order is in force prohibiting the sale of shellfish collected on the foreshore for human consumption and notices are exhibited on the approaches to the area where the shellfish are found.

FACTORIES ACTS, 1937 to 1959

There are 51 premises on the register of the local Authority.

During the year 107 visits were made to these premises and five notices were served in respect of breaches of the Regulations with regard to cleanliness and sanitary conveniences.

SANITARY ADMINISTRATION

Herewith is a tabulated statement of the inspections made during the twelve months under review.

Total Number of Inspections	1,866
Total Number of Nuisances and Defects Found	593
Total Number of Nuisances and Defects Abated	588
Total Number of Informal Notices	128
Total Number of Statutory Notices	Nil
Total Number of Informal Notices Complied with ...	126
Total Number of Statutory Notices Complied with ...	Nil
Total Number of Informal Notices Outstanding	2

LIST OF DEFECTS

Defective Roof	41
Defective Chimneys	9
Defective Window Frames	14
Defective Doors	18
Defective and Perished Pointing	34
Defective Brickwork	20
Defective Walls (external)	8
Defective Paving	12
Damp Walls (internal)	64
Absence of Draining Board	2
Defective and Damp Concrete Floors	14
Defective Plasterwork	8
Defective Kitchen Range	2

Broken Windows	5
Defective Ceiling	23
Absence of or Defective Eavesgutter	11
Absence of or Defective Downpipe	8
Absence of Clothes Washing Arrangements ...	6
Absence of Ventilated Food Store	20
Defective Staircase	8
Broken or Swinging Floor	18
Absence of or Defective Sink	5
Absence of or Defective Fireplace	11
Defective W.C. Basin	3
Defective Rendering	4
Settlement	2
Defective Wastes and Drainage	6
Dry Rot	1
Nuisances	7
Absence of Hot Water Supply	28
Choked Drains	24
Accumulation of Refuse	6
Absence of Bath in Bathroom	22
Absence of Wash-Hand Basin	23
Absence of Water Closet in Dwelling	26
Dirty Yards	4
Insufficient Ventilation	2
Defective Gates and Fences	2
Defective Manhole Cover	1
Insufficient Dustbins	5
Defective Gables	7
Inaccessible valves to gas supply	20
Breaches of Food Hygiene Regulations	31
Breaches of Factories Act	5
Breach of Public Health Act	1
Breach of Tenancy Agreement	1
Infestation of Fleas	1
	593

LICENSED PREMISES

Visits have been made to all licensed premises in the area for the purpose of checking sanitary accommodation, washing facilities and general conditions under the Food and Drugs Act and Food Hygiene Regulations.

TENTS, VANS AND SHEDS

There are two licensed sites in the area, the larger being under the control of the Local Authority. During the year an extension was provided to this site and there is now accommodation for 517 caravans. There is a small private site which has accommodation for four caravans.

The sites are provided with washing facilities, piped water supply, waste water drainage and water closets.

Two applications were received and granted for permission to station caravans in connection with the fairground at Old Saltburn.

SHOPS ACT

Inspections have been made of shops in the area for the purpose of checking the adequacy of sanitary and washing accommodation.

PREVENTION OF DAMAGE BY PESTS ACT, 1949

The Council employs a full-time Rodent Operator and herewith is a tabulated statement of the work carried out during the year. These services are provided free to householders and a charge is made to business premises.

	Type of Property				
	Non-Agricultural				
	(1) Local Authority	(2) Dwelling Houses (inc. Council Houses)	(3) All other including Business Premises	(4) Total of Cols. (1) (2) and (3)	(5) Agricultural
1. No. of Properties in Local Authority's District ...	15	4,208	330	4,553	15
2. No. of Properties Inspected as a result of :					
(a) Notification	4	84	16	104	2
(b) Survey under the Act ...	10	314	82	408	10
(c) Otherwise (e.g. when visited primarily for some other purpose) ...	—	—	—	—	—
3. Total Inspections carried out including re-inspections	171	1,134	420	1,725	67
4. No. of Properties Inspected (in Section 2) which were found to be infested by :					
(a) Rats—Major	—	—	—	—	—
Rats—Minor	8	70	28	109	7
(b) Mice—Major	—	—	—	—	—
Mice—Minor	2	45	18	65	—
5. No. of Infested Properties (in Section 4) Treated by Local Authority	10	115	46	171	7

ATMOSPHERIC POLLUTION

The Council are members of the National Society for Clean Air and the Tees-side Clean Air Committee.

Two deposit gauges are in use in the area, one being sited at Marske-by-the-Sea in the garden of "Ivy House," by kind permission of Dr. P. A. Walshaw and one in the Police Station Grounds at Saltburn-by-the-Sea by kind permission of the Chief Constable.

Herewith are tables showing the results for the twelve months together with wind records for the period.

During the year a change was made in the form of analysis carried out by the Public Analyst, in that Dissolved Matter was disregarded and in place of that test a test for Ferric Oxide was carried out. The future reports will not show Soluble Matter as it is considered that this is of no consequence in judging Atmospheric Pollution. The Ferric Oxide test is being carried out because of the pollution of the atmosphere by Steel Work processes, which discharge this chemical into the atmosphere.

During the year a Volumetric Smoke Gauge was installed at 30 Vicarage Drive, Marske-by-the-Sea, this being a central point in the township and was considered the most suitable site by the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research. The results for the six months since the installation are given.

A petition was received during the year from the residents of the Hob Hill area with regard to pollution by steam engines on the Saltburn to Brotton line. This matter was taken up with the British Railways Motive Power Department and an early promise to replace the steam engines by diesel locomotives was given. Since these engines were replaced no complaints have been received from the area concerned.

Twelve observations were made during the year on the coal-fired boiler in the area and no nuisances were observed.

During the year a mobile exhibition, organised by the Solid Smokeless Fuels Federation was in the area and the attendance was satisfactory.

MARSKE GAUGE

	PH Value	Undissolved Matter (Tons/sq.Mile)	Dissolved Matter (Tons/sq.Mile)	Total Solids Collected (Tons/sq.Mile)	Rainfall in Inches
January ...	6.0	1.53	4.41	5.94	1.02
February ...	7.0	6.61	13.46	20 07	1.02
March ...	6.7	3.17	3.21	6.38	0.78
April ...	6.5	3.86	7.88	11.74	1.24
May ...	6.3	3.81	6.61	10.42	1.69
		Average	7.11	10.91	

Marske Gauge—Continued

	PH Value	Undissolved Matter Tons/sq. Mile	Fe_2O_3	Rainfall in Inches
June ...	7.0	3.47	0.43	0.29
July ...	6.0	3.78	0.37	1.95
August ...	6.5	3.47	0.77	2.41
September ...	7.0	2.61	0.47	1.66
October ...	6.6	2.85	0.45	0.53
November ...	6.0	1.70	0.33	2.03
December ...	6.6	8.58	1.10	2.51
Average ...	6.5	3.78	0.56	1.42

SALTBURN GAUGE

	PH Value	Undissolved Matter (Tons/sq.Mile)	Dissolved Matter (Tons/sq.Mile)	Total Solids Collected (Tons/sq.Mile)	Rainfall in Inches
January ...	6.8	2.34	8.35	10.69	1.44
February ...	6.5	2.77	7.38	10.15	0.68
March ...	6.5	3.44	4.94	8.38	0.80
April ...	7.0	9.86	5.75	15.61	1.36
May ...	7.3	11.76	6.35	18.11	1.76
		Average	6.55	12.59	

	PH Value	Undissolved Matter Tons/sq. Mile	Fe_2O_3	Rainfall in Inches
June ...	6.2	4.18	0.45	0.33
July ...	7.0	3.53	0.47	1.80
August ...	7.0	3.56	0.46	2.49
September ...	6.8	2.10	0.36	1.83
October ...	6.4	3.05	0.42	0.44
November ...	7.0	3.47	0.34	2.23
December ...	6.8	3.67	0.67	2.30
Average ...	6.8	4.61	0.45	1.45

VOLUMETRIC SMOKE GAUGE

	Microgrammes per Cubic Metre		
	Highest	Lowest	Average
July	228	16	62.8
August ...	100	4	27.1
September	124	8	48.5
October	240	28	83
November	520	12	110.7
December	944	12	199.5

WIND RECORDS — TOTAL HOURS

	N	NE	E	SE	S	SW	W	NW	Calm	No. Record
January	5.0	—	—	—	147.0	363.0	171.5	48.0	9.5	—
February	42.5	52.5	141.5	8.0	10.0	152.0	159.0	94.5	—	12.0
March	186.0	48.5	6.0	34.0	74.0	172.5	91.5	108.5	8.0	15.0
April	145.0	133.0	24.0	22.5	75.5	120.5	120.5	45.5	33.5	—
May	202.0	45.0	15.0	2.5	57.5	230.5	116.0	53.5	18.0	4.0
June	52.0	78.0	25.0	6.0	55.0	279.0	137.0	46.0	35.0	7.0
July	157.0	140.0	24.0	31.0	72.0	130.0	85.0	46.0	59.0	—
August	42.0	28.0	17.0	9.0	193.0	314.0	112.0	17.0	12.0	—
September	67.0	19.0	4.0	51.0	265.0	185.0	93.0	25.0	11.0	—
October	59.0	31.0	14.0	37.0	260.0	209.0	60.0	22.0	50.0	2.0
November	96.0	51.0	29.0	59.0	186.0	123.0	92.0	57.0	19.0	8.0
December	21.0	19.0	44.0	7.0	202.0	212.0	154.0	57.0	10.0	18.0
Average	89.5	53.8	29.5	22.3	133.1	207.5	115.9	51.7	21.1	5.5

PET ANIMALS ACT, 1951

One licence issued under the above Act was renewed during the year. The premises registered were visited regularly and no breaches of the Act were found during the year.

HOUSING

During 1962, 45 tenants were selected for Council Houses and 23 tenants for elderly persons' accommodation.

During the year 40 applications were received from tenants for exchanges of Council Houses and 25 exchanges took place. Two applications were received for permission to take lodgers.

The Annual Check on the Housing List was not carried out during the year.

HOUSING (FINANCIAL PROVISIONS) ACT, 1958 AS AMENDED BY THE HOUSE PURCHASE AND HOUSING ACT, 1959 and the HOUSING ACT, 1961

One application was received for a Discretionary Grant and was agreed by the Council.

THE HOUSE PURCHASE AND HOUSING ACT, 1959 as amended by the HOUSING ACT, 1961

Twenty-six applications for Standard Grants were received and approved by the Council during the year. The number of amenities provided was as follows:—

Baths	22
Wash-hand basins	23
Hot Water Supplies	21
Water Closets inside dwellings ...	20
Ventilated Food Stores	19

The total amount of Grants paid by the Council during 1962 was as follows:—

Discretionary Grant	£173	0s.	0d.
Standard Grants	£3,019	7s.	4d.

HOUSING REPAIRS AND RENTS ACT, 1954

One Certificate of Disrepair which remained in force at the end of 1961, still remained in force at the end of 1962.

ELDERLY PERSONS' WARDEN SERVICE

The Council have Wardens at four groups of elderly persons' accommodation:

The Crescent, Saltburn-by-the-Sea.
Marine Court, Saltburn-by-the-Sea.
Mordales Drive, Marske-by-the-Sea.
Rosemary Cottages, Marske-by-the-Sea.

The system in use is an intercommunication system connecting the accommodation with the Wardens by a speaker unit, the Warden making daily calls and a weekly visit and carrying out shopping and neighbourly assistance where needed.

This Service has proved a great help to the elderly people and they have expressed their appreciation.

Special fittings were installed through the Welfare Services in one of the elderly persons' bungalows where the tenant is disabled.

HOUSING STATISTICS

Number of Houses Completed in 1962:—

(a) Council	20
(b) Other	85

1. INSPECTION OF DWELLING-HOUSES DURING THE YEAR:

(1) (a) Total number of dwelling-houses inspected for housing defects (under Public Health Acts)	54
(b) Number of inspections made for the purpose	189
(2) Number of dwelling-houses found not to be in all respects reasonably fit for human habitation	54

2. REMEDY OF DEFECTS DURING THE YEAR WITHOUT SERVICE OF FORMAL NOTICES:

(1) Number of defective dwelling-houses rendered fit in consequence of action by the Local Authority or their Officers ...	52
(2) Number of dwelling-houses where work is in progress but not yet complete	2
(3) Number of Notices in course of preparation (not yet served)	Nil
(4) Number of Notices outstanding	Nil

3. ACTION UNDER STATUTORY POWERS DURING THE YEAR:

Proceedings under Sections 16, 17 and 18 of the Housing Act, 1957:

(1) Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which Demolition Orders were made	8
(2) Number of dwelling-houses demolished in pursuance of Demolition Orders	5
(3) Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which Closing Orders were made	2

4. HOUSING ACT, 1957 — OVERCROWDING:

(a) Number of new cases of overcrowding reported during the year	1
(b) (1) Number of cases of overcrowding relieved during the year	1
(2) Number of persons concerned in such cases	6
(c) Particulars of cases in which dwelling-houses have again become overcrowded after the Local Authority have taken steps for the abatement of overcrowding	Nil

I wish to express my appreciation to the Chairman of the Council, the Chairman of the Health and Housing Committee, and Councillors for supporting me in my work during the year, and to the Medical Officer of Health, Dr. P. S. R. Burrell, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H., for the encouragement and advice he has given me during the year.

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I am,
Ladies and Gentlemen,
Your obedient servant,

N. R. DARLING,
Public Health Inspector,
and Housing Officer.